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Damon Lodge, No. 12, K. of P. Meets every Wednesday night in McWhorter's Hall at 8 o'clock.

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PENINSULA NEWS.

A Gang of Railroad Robbers Are Caught at Last.

NOT TO SHIP GAME BIRDS

A Postmaster Disappears—A Hospital to Get $5000—State Guard May Have an Encampment—A Long Contest Ends.

The saw mill and stables of Stansbury Parsons at Bridgeville was destroyed by fire last Saturday night. The loss is heavy.

William Clark, of Newark, was arrested and placed in New Castle jail for attempting to murder his wife. He beat her face almost to a jelly.

Some medicine tablets left on the table by the doctor threw the three-year-old son of Samuel Sparks, of Queen Anne's County, into convulsions and he died.

Much surprise was occasioned at Newark when it was learned that Victor G. Willis, the famous base ball pitcher, and Miss Minnie Lennox were married. The couple were married by Rev. Father Ott four months ago and the wedding was kept quiet but leaped out last week.

Thomas B. Windsor, of South Milford, has refused $12,000 cash for his two-fifth interest in the Windsor Hotel building in that town and ground, stables, ice house and yard, and the furniture and fixtures of the hotel. This is one of the best locations for a hotel in Delaware, and grows more valuable each year.

Mew, a pet cat belonging to Paynter Frame of Harbeson, is dead and was buried in a bricked grave in his garden. The cat was the oldest in the State, being 22 years old. The body was placed in a white pine coffin previous to the burial. All the family were firmly attached to the cat, and its death caused considerable grief.

The new State Board of Education has just prepared a thorough report of the condition of the schools throughout Delaware, showing that $194,300 was expended during last year in this State for school purposes, outside the city of Wilmington, over which the Board has not general supervision. Of this amount $141,059.05 was expended in salaries and $8,277.18 in books.

Officers and privates of the First Regiment, National Guard of Delaware are desirous of securing a week's encampment this year. The suggestion has been made that the regiment encamp on the government ground at Delaware City and serve without pay. It is said that some of the government appropriation remains unused and this might meet the expenses.

The debt of Sussex County has just been officially reported by a committee appointed by Sussex County Levy Court, showing up to March 22, 1900, outstanding county orders amounting to $13,926.47; outstanding road orders, $6466,31; outstanding Court orders, $135; interest due, $3426.25; bonded debt of 1864, $12,500; borrowed from the State in 1839, $5000; bonded debt of 1893, $25,000; making a total debt of $67,454.27.

The contest over the will of the late Governor Charles Polk, who has been dead for over forty years, was decided by Probate Judge Harrington at Dover last Saturday. Executor William A. Polk died before settling up the estate, and a bay shore farm of 1100 acres was left in litigation. The contest was between Theodore Polk, a descendant of the Governor, and Mrs. Josephine Truitt, a niece. The decision grants letters t. b. m. and c. t. a. to Mrs. Truitt.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company has issued orders to its freight agents in this State not to receive game birds for shipment. The orders are printed in big type, and two are to be hung in prominent places in all the freight stations in the State. The introduction of the order is as follows: "The attention of agents in the State of Delaware is called to the law of the State prohibiting the killing or destruction of certain birds or the receiving for transportation of the same. The law covering the case, which is found on page No. 460 of the revised code, is printed. Under the law of the State it is unlawful for any common carrier or transportation company to receive for shipment birds killed out of season. Concluding the instruction to the agents is the following: "Agents are instructed that this law must be strictly observed and must decline to receive birds for transportation." It is thought that this will tend to keep the men who are working to fill the 20,000 bird contract from shooting any game birds. The order was issued last Friday.

Business men of Chestertown, Md., are now bidding strongly to secure a shirt factory there. The principal obstacle was found to be a scarcity of labor, but a personal canvass has been made and this trouble has been overcome. The plan includes the erection of a brick building 30x60 feet, two stories high, heated by hot water, lighted by electricity and equipped with all modern conveniences and appliances. The start will be made with 50 machines.

George H. Boyce, postmaster at Concord, Sussex county, mysteriously disappeared from his home about two weeks ago and nothing has been heard from him since. An examination of the post office accounts showed a shortage of $40, which amount was paid by relatives, but such a small shortage could not have been an incentive to his disappearance. Mr. Boyce was well known about Seaford, having lived there for ten years, and it is feared he has met with foul play.

The steamer Sassafras, of the Tolchester Steamboat Company, which is temporarily plying between Port Deposit and Baltimore, on Wednesday night after giving the signal for the drawbridge of the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore railroad to open started up the river and before the draw could be thrown off, she ran into it, tearing away the pilot house smokestack, steampipe and walking beam. The steamer was towed to Havre de Grace.

Howard P. Williams, of St. Augustine, Md., and Miss Mary T. Davidson, of near Elkton, were married Thursday evening by Rev. G. S. Conway, of Bethel Church. The ceremony was performed at the residence of the bride's parents. The house was prettily trimmed with potted plants, greens and ribbon. The bride was becomingly attired in pearl Lansdowne with white taffeta applique trimmings and carried carnations. Only the immediate families were present. The happy couple will make their future home at Kaolin, Pennsylvania.

Under the will of Mrs. Sarah Esther Cummins, of Smyrna, who died recently, $5,000 is left to the Delaware State Hospital at Farnhurst. This is the first legacy that institution has ever received. Mrs. Cummins' uncle, Nathaniel Williams, was one of the first trustees of the hospital. The Episcopal Cemetery, of Smyrna, under the will received $1,000, and $1,000 is left to other charities. Mrs. Cummins also left a number of legacies to relatives. She was the daughter of the late Hon. James Williams, of Smyrna, and widow of William Polk Cummins. Mrs. Cummins left a considerable estate.

Despite the efforts of the police and and railroad detectives who have been on the lookout, an organized gang of thieves has successfully robbed freight cars en route from Philadelphia to towns in the lower part of this State for some time. On Saturday the police arrested John Cunningham, George Peyton and Edward Rash, charged with the robbery. Cunningham confessed and on the information given by the prisoner, Dominick Laubacher, of Wilmington, was arrested, charged with buying stolen goods. The alleged thieves are about 17 years old. The plan of the thieves was to ride to Gray's Ferry on a freight train and then break the seal of a south-bound freight train. When the train started boxes of merchandise would be kicked out and some time later gathered up by the gang and disposed of. The goods that could not be disposed of readily would be buried and sold whenever the opportunity presented.

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New Bridgetenders and Constables.

The New Castle County Levy Court has elected the following constables to serve for one year: Wilmington Hundred, William P. Windish, Alfred Hurlock, H. R. Smith, M. D. Hughes; Appoquinimink, N. H. Van Horn; St. Georges, J. H. Collins; Brandywine, G. W. Greenfield; Christiana, Paul J. Bogan and J. F. Porter; Mill Creek, W. C. Pierson; New Castle, M. B. Fleming; Pencader, W. T. Money; White Clay Creek, A. J. Mote; Red Lion, D. W. Cush.

The following bridgetenders were also elected to serve one year: Market street, W. T. Green, G. E. Swan; Eleventh street, David C. Webb; Seventh street, James T. Devlin; Washington street, John Carney; Brandywine, John H. Simpson; Newport, William Lynam; Christiana, Ezekiel Wheatley; Churchmans, William Hunter; Odessa, Samuel Huggins; Fenimore, William Shaw; Flemings, John Lockerman.

Dr. John J. Black, of New Castle, was elected jail physician, and Messrs. White, Padberg and Schuart, Jail Commissioners.

Only two changes appear in the list of constables, James L. Collins succeeds Augustus Hushebeck in St. Georges Hundred and William T. Money succeeds Emil Walther in Pencader. The only change among the bridgetenders is at Christiana, where Ezekiel Wheatley succeeds Walter Southgate. The jail commissioners and jail physician were re-elected.

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WASHINGTON LETTER

Commissioner of Patents Greeley Has Resigned His Position.

GEN. GRANT'S MEMORIAL

Proposes to Treat Porto Rico Better Than any of the Territories in the United States—A Senator is Congratulated.

WASHINGTON, March 26th, 1900.

A bill appropriating $10,000 to pay the expenses of accuring a proper design for a memorial to General Grant, to be erected in Washington, was passed by the House without a dissenting vote.

The Senate carried out one of President McKinley's recommendations when it passed the bill authorizing the appointment by the President of a Commission to visit Asia and study and report upon the best methods for increasing American Commerce with China and Japan.

Senator Foraker frankly stated, when he asked that his Porto Rico Bill, to which the House Bill had been attached, be sent back to committee, that it was desired to have his bill remain in committee until the Senate was given an opportunity to vote on the House Bill alone, which deals with nothing but the tariff. Mr. Foraker believes the House Bill will be passed.

Chairman Hitt, of the House Committee on foreign affairs, agreed a few days ago for that Committee to make an investigation of the charge made by Ex-Consul Macrum, that official mail from Washington, to the United States Consulate at Pretoria, had been held up and opened by British military officers, without the adoption of a formal resolution by the House, and the investigation will be started this week.

Secretary Root's answer to the Senate resolution asking if he had given any exclusive permit for dredging the gold-bearing sands of the ocean off the Alaska coast shows that no exclusive permits have been issued for such dredging, but that under authority of law, as interpreted by Mr. Root and every member of the Cabinet, permits have been issued to several applicants to dredge the ocean bed from the line of low water outwards off the Alaskan coast, when it may be done without interfering with navigation, and will be issued to others who may apply for them. Inasmuch as these permits have been issued to all applicants, there is nothing exclusive about them. Thus, another mare's nest is disposed of.

The past week marked the retirement from public service of the ablest and best equipped man that has ever acted and served as Commissioner of Patents, Hon. P. Greeley. His resignation emphasizes the utter inadequacy of the salaries of the Commissioner of Patents and his staff of expert examiners. Mr. Greeley, though only 38 years old, is a writer on patent law. He leaves office to practice in Washington, where he will make a speciality of trade-marks and foreign patents. The loss to the public service of such a man is irreparable, and the government would better pay the head of the Patent Office the salary of a member of the Cabinet than have a man like Greeley resign.

Senator Spooner has been the recipient of many congratulations on the able manner in which he got the best of Senator Tillman in the extended colloquy between them, which began on the Porto Rico question, but took in a number of other things, including the method adopted to secure white supremacy in South Carolina, methods which Mr. Tillman frankly acknowledged and said he was glad were adopted. Mr. Spooner at no time lost his temper, although Mr. Tillman did several times, and endeavored to anger Mr. Spooner by tantalizing remarks. This is not the first oratorical victory won by Senator Spooner, who has long been known as one of the strongest men in the Senate in a running debate.

Senator Gallinger, who is a member of the Committee on Porto Rico, in a speech advocating the 15 per cent. duty on Porto Rico products other than coffee, which, by the way, constitutes four-fifths of the islands exports, said: "We are proposing to treat Porto Rico better than we treat any territory of the United States. We collect internal revenue taxes in Oklahoma, New Mexico, Indian Territory and Arizona, and every dollar of it goes into the United States Treasury. We shall collect internal revenue taxes in Porto Rico, too, but every dollar so collected will be returned to the Porto Ricans and be used for their benefit." Of the connection of trusts with the question and their alleged control of Republican policy, Mr. Gallinger said: "We heard the same when Hawaii was annexed and free entry to our ports was given Hawaiian sugar. Now it is raised again when we propose to place a small duty upon the products of Porto Rico, for the benefit of the Porto Ricans themselves. The trust which is suffering, the trust which we are oppressing by this legislation is composed of some gentlemen at the Arlington hotel in this city, a trust headed by the British Vice-Consul at San Juan. That trust is suffering considerably. Those gentlemen bought up the sugar under the full Dingley rates, and if they can get it into this country free of duty, they will make the full 100 per cent. of the tariff; but if we succeed in putting a tariff duty of 15 per cent. of the Dingley rate on that sugar, the trust's profits will be cut down by that much, and the people of Porto Rico will benefit to that extent."

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EASY RULES BY A BISHOP.

Dancing and Threatre-Going Left to Individual Consciences.

Bishop Andrews, of the Wilmington Methodist Episcopal Conference, preached to a large congregation in Epworth Church, Wilmington, last Sunday and his sermon was pratical. He said:

"The law of Sabbath observance is not in the letter, but in the spirit. I have read of christian men who have read the Book to find some rules for tithes. I regard it as nonsense. I believe there are some Christians who cannot afford to give one-tenth to the church, and there are some who would not be doing much by giving the church ninety-nine one hundredths of their incomes.

"Business men ask: 'May I deal in margins?' 'May I sell things that I don't approve of at all, such as coffee or whisky?' 'May I sell adulterated goods?' 'May I take the highest interest the law allows?' I turn over my New Testament and do not find any precept about it, but I find the spirit there.

"'May I go to the theatre?' The only mention I find about this is where Paul wanted to go to the theatre, but some of his heathen friends would not let him.

"'May I dance at home? May I play cards? What about my political life? Can I vote for the lesser of two evils?' It is pretty hard to find answers in the New Testament for those questions. It is not in the letter but in the spirit. It is for each person himself to answer.

"As to theatres, persons should inquire into the character of the play and of the performers. Find out whether they get divorced too often and consider whether your time and money is judiciously spent. God will hold every man to judgment."

LIKE A ROMANCE.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel G. Fisher, Who Divorced, to be Remarried.

Mrs. Florence N. Hirst-Fisher and her former husband, Samuel G. Fisher, both of Wilmington, are to be remarried in the near future. Mr. and Mrs. Fisher were married several years ago, but as a result of a misunderstanding they were divorced, the decision being handed down by the county court last spring. Mrs Fisher, who is a daughter of Edwin Hirst, went to live with her father, at No. 609 Madison street. She is a talented musician and has been teaching music for several months.

Mr. Fisher, who is an engineer on the P., W. & B. railroad and one of the most popular men in the service, has been living, since the divorce was granted, at No. 701 French street. Recently he became sick and during his illness sent for his former wife. A most affectionate meeting was the result. Without much formality Mr. Fisher proposed to his former wife that they be remarried and after the matter had been discussed at some length Mrs. Fisher gave her consent to again become his wife.

The time for the wedding has not been fixed, but it will take place within the next few weeks. Mr. Fisher has rented the house No. 828 Jackson street, formerly occupied by Fred Eden Bach and family, and after the marriage Mr. and Mrs. Fisher will live there. Edwin Hirst, Mrs. Fisher's father, will also live with them. Mrs. Hirst died a short time ago and since her death Mrs. Fisher has been keeping house for her father. Mr. and Mrs. Fisher have one child, a girl, who has been living with her mother.

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Absent-Minded Young Man.

Wilmington Evening Journal.

A young man who rides to and from Middletown to this city daily had an experience on Thursday which is affording his friends much amusement. Shortly after boarding the train at Middletown he met two young women who were en route to Philadelphia for a day's trip. Both had purchased tickets to Wilmington. This they told the young man and he offered to purchase their tickets at Wilmington for Philadelphia, thus relieving them of the trouble of getting off the train. The offer was accepted and the money to make the purchase of the tickets was given to the young man. Conversation was continued until the train reached Wilmington, when the young man got off and proceeded directly to the office in which he does clerical duties. It was after he arrived and was prepared to go to work that he remembered that he had forgotten to purchase the tickets. The train had gone. Thursday night the young man rode in the baggage car all the way to Middletown.

THE M. E. STATISTICS.

Summary of the Presiding Elders Reports by Districts.

Following is a synopsis of the report of the Rev. Robert Watt, D. D., presiding elder of the Wilmington district:

"The work on the Wilmington district has been very successful. Death has made inroads on the ranks of the superannuated ministers, three having died during the year—Henry Sanderson of Wilmington, T. S. Williams of Northeast and W. E. England of Philadelphia.

"The following is a summary of the work on the district: At Rising Sun, Northeast and Brandywine, there have been revivals of unusual scope and power. At Rising Sun, there have been 130 conversions; at Northeast, 125, and at Brandywine, 108. The whole number of conversions during the year is 12,60. Nine charges have increased the pastor's salary, as follows: Cookman, $200; Epworth, 200; Asbury, 500; Newark, $150; Perryville, 100; Eastlake 125; Hockessin, 50, and St. John's 20. Scott Church has improved at a cost of 3 600. A chapel has been built at Kirkwood, at a cost of 1,700. The church at Mt. Lebanon has been improved at a cost of 800; Wesley Church, at a cost of 600. The parsonage at Newark has been remodeled at a cost of 1,100. Other churches report improvements as follows: Epworth, $125; Marshallton, 95; Zion, 150; Charlestown, 230; Silverbrook, 276; Rising Sun, 300; St. Georges, 180; Red Lion, 80, and Hopewell, 75. The total cost of improvements is $9,500. Large payments have been made on church debts. Grace Church has provided for its debt of $15,000. Epworth has paid $1,800 on mortgage: Asbury, $3,000. Harrison Street has raised 1,400 towards its debt; Kingswood, 500; Elkton 1,000, and Port Deposit, 300. Cookman and Union have paid 1,000 each on their floating debt. Other charges have reported lesser amounts. The total of debts paid and provided for is $23,000. Many of the churches have increased their offerings to the benevolent charges, among which are Newark, Elk Neck, Rockland, Rising Sun, Cherry Hill, Elkton, Chesapeake City, Hopewell, Colora, Newport, Northeast, Cookman, Epworth, Claymont and Stanton. The increase in the missionary collection is $400. The Twentieth Century thank offering has been fully presented on the district, and the contributions, exclusive of debts and improvements, are over $4,000."

PRESIDING ELDER CORKRAN'S REPORT.

The Rev. Wilbur F. Corkran, D. D., presiding elder of the Easton district, read his report. He said:

"The district is well manned, and the work has gone forward at every point with a good measure of satisfaction. It has responded to the bishops' call for $20,000,000 and 2,000,000 souls with an offering. this first of three years of thank offering, of about $9,000 of its $40,000 of the $20,00 ,000 and 1,600 souls, nearly one-third of the required number. The flood tide of business and financial prosperity, of which we hear so much, and which is a reality in many sections of the country, has not reached the Easton district as yet. Indeed, the year has been one of the hardest of our experience.

"Bayside reports an advance in collections; Cecilton, the cancellation of the last dollar of indebtedness on church property, and 18 conversions; Centerville $172 paid for improvments and an increase of $50 in the pastor's salary, and 98 conversions; Cheswold, 16 conversions; Chestertown, 63 conversions; Church Hill, $1,800 paid for rebuilding, and 35 conversions; Clayton, 350 paid on old debts, and seven conversions; Cordova, 300 paid on old debts, and 49 conversions; Crumpton, 936 paid for improvements, and 50 conversions; Easton, an increase of 200 in the pastor's salary, and 30 conversions; Fairlee, an increase of 150 in the pastor's salary, and 25 conversions: Galena, 150 paid for improvements, and 53 conversions; Greensboro, 112 conversions Hillsboro, 663 paid for improvements and an increase of 150 in the pastor's salary and 50 conversions. Kent Island, 650 paid on old debts and 150 for improvements, and 47 conversions. Kenton, 700 paid on old debts and 50 for improvements. Marydel, 230 paid on old debts, and 158 conversions. Middletown, 200 paid for improvements, and 50 conversions. Odessa, 113 paid on old debts, and five conversions. Oxford, 175 paid on old debts, and 15 conversions. Piney Neck, 140 paid on old debts, and five conversions. Pomona, 180 paid for improvements. Queenstown, 60 conversions. Rock Hall, 200 paid on old debts, and 39 conversions. Royal Oak, 150 paid for improvements, and 17 conversions. St. Michaels, 775 paid on old debts, and 111 conversions. Smyrna, 350 paid on old debts and 600 for improvements. Smyrna circuit, 100 paid on old debts and 275 for improvements, and nine conversions. Still Pond, an increase of 150 in the pastor's salary and 400 paid for improvements, and 10 conversions. Sudlersville, 200 paid on old debts and 52 conversions. Bozman, 74 paid on old debts and 100 for improvements, and 67 conversions. Tilghman's Island, 350 paid on old debts, and 67 conversions. Blackbird, 950 paid for improvements, and 52 conversions. Trappe, 175 paid for improvements, and 169 conversions, and Wye and Starr, 228 paid on old debts and 150 for improvements, and 55 conversions.

"In three years, the district has made a net gain of $2,060 in pastoral support. The Epworth League on the Easton district comprises 44 senior chapters, with 2,500 members, and 19 junior chapters, with 900 members. The Sunday-schools are doing good work.

PRESIDING ELDER BAKER'S REPORT.

The Rev. C. S. Baker, D. D., presiding elder of the Dover district, read his report. He said:

"One superannuated minister, A. D. Davis, died during the year. The pastors have given special attention to the apportionments for the Conference Academy, and, though larger than in any previous year, the apportionments have been fully met in nearly every charge. The disposition to observe Easter Sunday as a day for a special missionary offering is growing, and the day will be more generally observed this year than formerly. The Epworth League on the Dover district comprises 47 senior chapters, with 2,333 members, and 27 junior chapters with 1,204 members.

"Galestown reports $925 paid for improvements, and 158 conversions. In May, Ebenezer Church was struck by lightning and destroyed; no insurance. The church is being rebuilt. The pastor reports an increase of $25 in salary, and 42 conversions. Hooper's Island reports $88 paid for improvements, and 22 conversions; Elliott's Island, $50 paid for improvements, and 13 conversions; Lakesville, 150 paid for improvements, and 26 conversions: Church Creek. $300 paid for improvements, and 125 conversions; Beckwith, 169 paid for improvements, and 32 conversions: Salem, 608 paid for improvements, and 15 conversions; Cambridge, 200 paid for improvements, and 53 conversions. Hurlock, an increase of 200 in the pastor's salary, 3,000 paid for improvements, and 67 conversions; Choptank, 55 conversions; Williamsburg, $75 paid for improvements and an increase of $50 in the pastor's salary, and 15 conversions; Federalsburg, $50 paid for improvements, and 80 conversions; Denton 900 paid on old debts, and 35 conversions. Burrsville, 200 paid for improvements, and 123 conversions; Williston, 600 paid for improvements, and 224 conversions; Harrington, $50 paid for improvements, and 23 conversions; Farmington, 140 paid for improvements, and 35 conversions; Greenwood, 35 conversions; Cannon, 56 conversions; Seaford, 100 paid for improvements, and 102 conversions; Houston, 4,000 paid for rebuilding. and 9 conversions; Milford, 50 conversions; Lincoln, $70 paid for improvements, and 60 conversions; Ellendale, $60 paid for improvements, and 29 conversions; Milton, 150 paid on old debts, and 38 conversions; Lewes, 115 paid for improvements, and 11 conversions. Nassau, 240 paid for improvements, and 36 conversions. Georgetown, 150 paid on old debts. Georgetown circuit, 125 paid for improvements, and 102 conversions. Zoar circuit, an increase of $75 in the pastor's salary, and 108 conversions. Felton, 26 conversions. Frederica, 200 paid for improvements. Magnolia, 75 paid for improvements, and 15 conversions. Canterbury, 20 conversions. Camden 27 conversions. Wyoming, 336 paid on old debts, and 130 conversions. Leipsic, 1,070 paid on old debts. Armory, Dover; 900 paid on old debts, and 54 conversions, and Wesley, Dover, 500 paid on old debts and 411 for improvements, and 42 conversions.

"Ten charges have increased the pastor's salary, from $25 to 200 each. Church property has been improved at a cost of $15,600; Old debts amounting to 4,018 have been paid. Collections have been increased 500. The whole number of conversions is 2,100. The district's contributions to the Twentieth Century thank offering, exclusive of debts and improvements, amount to 2,178.08."

PRESIDING ELDER MARTINDALE'S REPORT.

Following is a synopsis of the report of the Rev. Thomas E. Martindale, D. D., presiding elder of the Salisbury district:

"For the most part, the health of the brethern has been graciously preserved. More and more are the children and young people coming to regard Children's Day as a day of broadening information and quickening enthusiasm in respect to our educational interests, and, in consequence, the collections are showing a systematic advance, which promises well for the Conference Academy and the needy students who are seeking preparation for the ministry. The Sunday-schools are somewhat in advance of last year in the matter of attendance, in continuance of sessions during the winter, and in the adoption of our church lesson literature. There is, however, a lack of conviction among our adult church members as to their duty to become teachers, and to co-operate generally with the authorities in advancing the efficiency of the schools.

"Gratifying as has been the record of the district in past years touching the matter of church building and improvements, and the liquidation of old indebtedness, the present report registers a still greater advance in material prosperity. The church at Crowsentown has been rebuilt at a cost of $804. Conner's Church has been renovated at a cost of $260. The church at Franklin City has been enlarged at a cost of $3,000. A church has been built at Newark, at a cost of $2,400; one at Willard's Station, at a cost of $800, and one at Nanticoke, at a cost of $5,300. The Fruitland church has been finished at a cost of $1,800. A $900 pipe organ has been put in the Delmar church. The new church at Snow Hill is making decided progress. The sum of $2,800 has been raised for a new church at Rock Creek. The church at Dame's Quarter is to be improved at a cost of $1,200. The sum of $1,000 has been raised for enlarging Asbury Church, near Crisfield, In the payment of old debts, Tangier leads the host, with an outlay of $2,700. Marion has paid $2,400; Ocean View, $1,000; Cape Charles, $500; Selbyville, $500; Chincoteague $600; Mt. Pleasant, $250; Smith's Island, $225; Crisfield, $150. Mt. Vernon, $125, and Fairmount and Millsboro, $100 each. A total of $32,366 has been raised for building and improvements, and the liquidation of old debts. In pastoral support, some gratifying advances have been made. The whole number of conversions is 2,100."

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SIX MILLION METHODISTS.

One division of the largest branch of "those people called Methodists"—the Methodist Episcopal numbering two and a-half millions under one government—has just adjourned its annual session, the Wilmington Conference. The daily papers of Wilmington evidently made excellent, correct, and full reports of the proceedings which proved the members of that body to be men of strength, vigor and convictions. And the Lay Conference, consisting of the same number, one layman from each charge, gave evidence in its proceedings, which were held apart from the ministerial body, of a loyalty to the church which is in no way restricted in independent thought by the pulpit. Every member of the church should be a student of the "minutes" when they appear in pamphlet form, in 30 to 60 days, and the more so because the quadrennial law-making body will be in session throughout the month of May.

It is charged generally that the clergy are "good politicians" and the accusation has been made especially against members of the Wilmington Conference. Reference was made thereto several times during the session. But notwithstanding the "factional" feeling among the clergy—Methodism grows on this Peninsula. What would be the result of harmony on all lines cannot be told, possibly an "ease in Zion."

The differences seem to have culminated in charging Presiding Elder Baker, of Dover District, with not being friendly to the Conference Academy, hence an effort was made to oust him from the eldership. Bishop Andrews, it is said, thought of making Rev. C. A. Hill elder but concluded to let Mr. Baker remain. In announcing the appointments he began with Dover District naming Dr. Baker elder. At once Principal Collins of the Academy took the floor and while his judgment did not coincide with the action of Bishop Andrews "for the sake of God and of Methodism in our territory he was willing to sink personal judgment." He extended to Dr. Baker the hand of fellowship which was received with appropriate acknowledgment. Such action shows the vital power of the church. Of the incident the *Morning News* said:

"It was a scene more dramatic than any occurring in a Conference session for several years, and the graceful manner in which each minister accepted the situation found ready sympathy in the hearts of all who observed the incident."

The chief "political" feature of the session was over the effort made by Chairman Compton of the committee on temperance, as he told Rev. R. H. Adams, to do what he could towards defeating President McKinley for re-election. He offered condemnatory resolutions against the President, who is a member of the Methodist Church, for "tippling" in public, upon a statement of Samuel Dickie, editor of the *Voice*, the temperance organ. Mr. Dickie says he saw the President drink wine at a banquet.

The debate was sharp and prolonged. Revs. Compton, Alfred Smith, Swain and Coursey favored the resolution of censure, while Revs. Adams, Watkins, MacNichol, Carpenter, Collins and Terry opposed. The resolution was lost by a vote of 69 to 47. It is to be hoped none other of the 47 yeas beside Mr. Compton's was for such "small politics" as he assigned. Rev. R. H. Adams deserves praise for his exposure of Mr. Compton's expressed motive. He has a right to vote against Major McKinley; he has a right to oppose by all honorable, open means his re-election, if he chooses, but he has no right to use the church for any such purpose. But Methodism can stand many such strains and grow.

The clergy and laity differed in opinion and action upon the method of electing church trustees. There has been considerable comment and criticism of the change in the law made by the recent session of the General Assembly of Delaware affecting the choice of church trustees. The Lay Conference strongly favored that all such elections shall be by the adult vote of the members, the word "male" being advocated by a minority. The ministers, however, favored nominations by the pastor or presiding elder and elections by quarterly conference. They defeated a resolution allowing a more Republican-Democratic participation in at least one annual official church meeting by the members. Indeed there is not much left to the greater number of Methodist members except to give—they are urged to "take part" in all collections. A majority of Wilmington Conference voted against even one congregational official meeting where all would be equal for one hour of the year. The Protestant Episcopal Church, the mother of Methodism, teaches a different lesson every Easter Monday.

The Lay Conference among other good suggestions advocated a system for the selection of presiding elders different from the present method which is, like the ministerial appointments, solely in the hands of the bishop though the "Bishop's Council," which is composed of the presiding elders, usually fixes the appointments and names their own successors for the endorsement of the bishop. He gives audience to pastors and representatives of the churches, and usually favors the plans of the elders. It will be remembered that the four delegates elected to the General Conference, as reported last week, were the four elders. The ministerial delegates to General Conference are mostly elders. They make the Bishops; the Bishops make the elders. Wheels within wheels. The Lay Conference favored the nomination of elders by the Annual Conference. This and other reforms will come to the church through lay representation. It is not surprising that Principal Collins announced in Conference:

"Oh! to be an Elder
And with the Elders stand," etc.

THE UNION Republican primaries to elect delegates to their State Convention to meet in Dover, on Tuesday, April 3d, will be held this afternoon. If the tone of their papers is an index to the party members generally since the Republican convention then they are very unhappy. They must anticipate the turning down of their delegates by the Philadelphia Convention. The erratic and irresponsible *Sun* has even called upon former Senator Anthony Higgins to save them. This may be to prejudice friends of Mr. Higgins, or it is a forlorn hope to win primary votes. Of course Mr. Higgins maintains a dignified silence as he has done under all the abuse from the same source.

The attitude of William S. Hillis, Esq., is of course one of the same dignified silence, no other being possible under the circumstances, towards the following announcement in the *Evening Journal* of Thursday:

"A report is current that the Union Republicans will elect William S. Hilles and Former Senator Anthony Higgins, to be delegates for that party to the National Republican Convention. Neither Mr. Hilles nor Mr. Higgins, it is said, is likely to accept."

ODESSA NOTES

Hugh Morris was a Newark visitor last Saturday.

Miss Neil Townsend was the guest of Wilmington relatives on Saturday.

William Rose, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with his father, David C. Rose.

Miss Bessie Temple has returned from a week's visit to relatives in Philadelphsa.

Miss Stanger, of Middletown, was the guest of Mrs. George Rhodes last Sunday.

Mrs. John Watkins and daughters Janet and Helen are the guests of Mrs. Francis B. Watkins.

Mrs. William Curtis and daughter, of Newark, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel W. Corbit.

Rev. W. O. Hurst and Mrs. Hurst returned from Conference, on Wednesday. Mr. L. V. Aspril, also returned Wednesday.

William S. VanDyke returned Monday from a three days' visit to his daughter, Mrs. Frederick Burgess, at her home in Ridley Park, Pa.

Alfred Moore, of Royal Oak, Md., stopped over to see his brother, Elias N. Moore, on Wednesday. He has been in Wilmington attending Conference.

The Misses Watkins, of Philadelphia, have accepted the invitation of their brother, Columbus Watkins, to make their home with him and moved down from the city this week.

The Rev. T. B. Cooper, of Oxford, Md., occupied the pulpit of St. Paul's M. E. Church both morning and evening last Sunday. Mr. Cooper is a very pleasant speaker and was very well liked.

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WILMINGTON M. E. CONFERENCE.

The Appointments.—Lay Conference and Delegates.—Statistics on First Page.

Bishop Andrews made 46 changes in pastoral appointments, 21 on the Salisbury district; 10 on the Wilmington district; 8 on the Dover district, and 7 on the Easton district, leaving 120 pastors to return to their charges of last year. Conference adjourned Tuesday just after the noon hour, the last official act being the announcement of the following appointments:

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.
Robert Watt, Presiding Elder.

Wilmington:
Asbury—James Crowe.
Brandywine and Edge Moor—J W Easley.
Cookman—J W Jones.
East Lake—Supplied by Moses Bullock.
*Elsmere—To be supplied.
Epworth—F B Short.
*Grace—William Wirt King.
*Harrison Street—W E Avery.
*Kingswood—H S Dulaney.
Madeley—V P Northrup.
Mt. Salem—J P Otis.
St. Paul's—W L S Murray.
Scott—F P Harris.
Silverbrook—E E White.
*Swedish Mission—H G Bolvie.
Union—C A Grise and G F Hopkins.
Wesley—W F Dawson.
Bethel and Summit—G S Conoway.
*Charlestown—J T Prouse.
Cherry Hill—J H Geoghegan.
Chesapeake City—L E Poole.
Chester—G W Burke.
*Christiana—F E McKinsey.
Claymont—Supplied by G R Tomkins.
*Coloro—A C Willey.
Delaware City—H S Thompson.
Ebenezer—Supplied by W T Hammond.
Elk Neck—W E Greenfield.
Elkton—T E Terry.
Hockessin—E N Cantwell.
Hopewell and Asbury—G W Bowman.
Marshallton and Stanton—T H Harding.
Mt. Lebanon—Supplied by E H Dashiell.
Mt. Pleasant and Union—E H Derrickson.
Newark and Wesley—W P Compton.
New Castle—R I Watkins.
*Newport—R T Coursey.
North East—G W Townsend.
Perryville—G W Dawson.
Port Deposit—A S Mowbray.
Port Penn—Supplied by Harry Mitchell.
*Red Lion and Glasgow—T B Hunter.
Rising Sun—H A G Westerfield.
*St. Georges—C F Sheppard.
St. John's—T S Holt.
Zion—W R Mowbray.

J D C Hanna, conference secretary of the Twentieth Century thank offering, member of Union quarterly conference.

S N Pilchard, chaplain United States Army, member of Scott quarterly conference.

Wilmer Jaggard, missionary to New Mexico.

The appointment of G F Hopkins to Union is nominal.

DOVER DISTRICT.
C. S. Baker, Presiding Elder.

Dover:
Wesley—Alfred Smith.
*Armory—Supplied by Frederic Spencer.
Beckwith—W P Taylor.
Bridgeville—W G Koons.
Burrsville—T N Given.
Cambridge—E C Macnichol.
*Camden—L W Layfield.
Cannon—J W Fogle.
*Canterbury—Supplied by A C Jones.
Church Creek—J W Prettyman.
*Crapo—W S H Williams.
Denton—J S Wickline.
East Newmarket—Supplied by C W Smith.
Ellendale—J M Mitchell.
Elliott's Island—H B Kelso.
Farmington—D F Waddell.
Federalsburg—J M Lindale.
*Felton—J D Kemp.
Frederica—Z H Webster.
Galestown—J L Johnson.
Georgetown—Adam Stengle.
Georgetown Circuit—J H Wilson.
Greenwood—C H Williams.
*Harrington—G T Alderson.
Hooper's Island—Supplied by T S Barret.
Houston—G P Smith.
Hurlock—Albert Chandler.
Lakesville—Supplied by J A Buckson.
*Leipsic—C N Jones.
Lewes—W L White.
*Lincoln—V E Hills.
Little Creek—Howard Davis.
*Magnolia—George E Wood.
Milford—L E Barrett.
Milton—W J Du Hadway.
Nassau—J P Outten.
Preston—O S Walton.
Salem—Supplied by H E Truitt.
Seaford—R K Stephenson.
Vienna—J T Van Burkalow.
Williamsburg—Harry Taylor.
Williston—T F Beauchamp.
Wyoming—J E Graham.
*Zoar—J E Gallagher.

V S Collins, principal of the Wilmington Conference Academy, member of Wesley (Dover) quarterly conference.

C E Hastings, left without appointment to attend school, member of Armory (Dover) quarterly conference.

EASTON DISTRICT.
W. F. Corkran, Presiding Elder.

*Bayside—A Howard Covey.
Cecilton—J A Arters.
Centreville, E C Atkins.
Cheswold—Edwin Gardner.
Chestertown and Worton—E C Sunfield.
*Church Hill—J T Richardson.
Clayton—O W De Venish.
*Cordova—J A Brewington.
Crumpton—F E Bloxton.
Easton—R H Adams.
Fairlee—J M Arters.
Galena—A P Prettyman.
Golts—Supplied by Daniel Wilson.
Greensboro—Aloycius Green.
Hillsboro—T A H O'Brien.
*Ingleside—E C Wright.
Kent Island—S P Shipman.
Keaton—G R Ellis.
Marydel—E R Sidell.
Middletown—E W Caswell.
*Millington—I G Fosnocht.
Odessa—W O Hurst.
Oxford—T B Cooper.
Piney Neck—Supplied by C K Morris.
*Pomona—J R Cannon.
*Queenstown—W C Poole.
Rock Hall—W B Guthrie.
*Royal Oak—W R McFarlane.
St. Michael's—J H Beauchamp.
Smyrna—Charles A Hill.
*Smyrna Circuit—G L Hardesty.
Still Pond—E P Roberts.
Sudlersville—Robert Roe.
Talbot Circuit—J W Talley.
*Tilghman's Island—L P Karholsen.
Townsend—G P Jones.
Trappe—T F Tabler.
*Tunis Mills—N C Benson.
Wye and Starr—Supplied by W H Kenney.

O E Jones, left without appointment to attend school, member of Ingleside quarterly conference.

SALISBURY DISTRICT.
T. E. Martindale Presiding Elder.

*Annamessex—Supplied by G C Williams.
Asbury—G G Senser.
Berlin—H G Bulid.
Bethel—J M Collins.
Bishopville—Supplied by W R Hirons.
Cape Charles—T R Van Dyke.
*Chincoteague—J W Gray.
Crisfield—C T Wyatt.
Delmar—W W Sharp.
*Deal's Island—C P Swain.
Fairmount—L P Corkran.
Frankford—F F Carpenter.
*Fruitland—W O Bennett.
*Girdle Tree—E B Nelson.
Gumboro—D J Givan.
Holland's Island—Supplied by Baynard Wheatley.
*Laurel—H C Turner.
Mardela Springs—Supplied by W F Atkinson.
*Marion—Supplied by W E Matthews.
*Millsboro—W W Chaires.
Mt. Pleasant—R W Todd.
Mt. Vernon—J D Reese.
*Nanticoke—T C Smoot.
Newark (Md.)—F X Moore.
*Onancock—W A Wise.
*Parksley and Hallwood—W E Wright.
*Parsonsburg—D F McFaull.
Pocomoke City—F C McSorley.
*Pocomoke Circuit—D H Willis.
*Powellville—J F Anderson.
*Princess Anne—G W Woodall.
*Quantico—C W Strickland.
Roxana—F J Cochran.
*St. Peter's (Oriole, Md.)—Asbury Burke.
Salisbury—C W Prettyman.
Selbyville—Supplied by F M Faulkner.
Sharptown—E H Miller.
*Smith's Island—Supplied by W R Gwinn.
Snow Hill—S M Morgan.
Somerset—G R Neese.
Stockton—G W Hastings.
*Tangier—G W Bounds.
*Westover—Oscar L Martin.
*Whitesville—E H Collins.

LAY DELEGATES

The Lay Conference elected delegates to the General Conference on Friday afternoon. According to rotation Wilmington and Easton Districts were entitled each to a delegate. Chief Justice Lore, who presided over the conference, was chosen by acclamation and S. H. Baynard as alternate for Wilmington. There was more spirit in the choice for the second delegate, three ballots being taken to decide. The vote was:

	1st.	2nd.	3rd.
G. E. Hukill, Middletown...	62	69	73
G. C. Moore, Hillsboro.....	59	60	68
Joseph Smithers, Smyrna,,	25	12	

Mr. Smither's name was withdrawn after second ballot, and Mr. G. Emory Hukill, of this town, was elected. To Mr. A. G Cox, the lay delegate from here, is due unfaltering loyalty and unflagging work in securing the result. Both he and Mr. Hukill are to be congratulated, and the church here is greatly honored by having for the second time a representative in the lay branch of the General Conference, Mr. Cox having been among the first laymen elected. Mr. Moore was made the alternate. Four years ago the General Conference invited the Annual Conference to vote upon equal ministerial and lay representation and the proposition was provided the General Conference at the approaching May session approves., hence Dover and Salisbury Districts get the "provisional" delegates. Joseph E. Holland, of Milford, and G. A. Coxe, of Fairmount, were elected, with J. W. Fletcher, of Cambridge, and L. P. Dennis, of Crisfield, alternates. Subsequently the conference received the laymen, the delegates being seated on the platform, and addresses were made by Judge Lore and Messrs. Holland and Hukill.

Sunday was a great day for Wilmington Methodists, the visiting clergy filling nearly all the evangelical pulpits in the city and nearby country.

Monday was a busy day as was also Tuesday morning with reports of committees, anniversaries and conference business. THE TRANSCRIPT presents district statistics on the first page. Statistcs for the entire conference are: Probationers, 5,829, an increase of 2,089; full members, 37,117, increase of 5; local preachers, 123, an increase of 4; children baptized, 2,261, increase of 109; adults, 310, increase of 49; Sunday schools, 397, an increase of 1; officers and teachers, 5,881, an increase of 15; scholars, 44,843, an increase of 1,505; average attendance, 27,977, increase of 1,682; churches, 396; value, $1,590,120, an increase of $48,650; parsonages, 145, increase of 2, value $268,750, increase of $2,650; paid for improvements, $520,45, increase of $7,114; paid on indebtedness, $33,697, increase of $12,305; present indebtedness, $106,532, decrease of $18,545; Sunday school members converted, 3,417, increase of 1,696, Epworth League, 166, same as previous year; members, 9,065, decrease of 297; Junior Leagues, 82, increase of 12; members, 6,998, increase of 9; paid pastors' support, $139,829, increase of $5,170; paid presiding elders, $7,379, an increase of $225; paid bishops, $1,474, an increase of $49, total, $148,689, an increase of $5,450.

(NOTE—The presiding elders met yesterday to "adjust" some of the appointments. Mr. Mace will probably remain at Kingswood; Mr. Delaney may go to Millington; Mr. Chaires to remain at Tilghman's; Mr. Collins to Millsboro; Mr. Fosnocht to Whilesville. Mr. Wise does not wish to go Onancock).

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVORERS AT PORT PENN.

Communicated.

The Christian Endeavor Society of the Presbyterian Church held an anniversary service on Sunday evening, March 25th, which was a very pleasant occasion. A program had been prepared without very much trouble as nearly all the hymns were familiar. This proved an advantage as the whole congregation could join in the music. Misses Julia Vandegrift and Bessie Hall sang a duet immediately after the offering. Rev Kensey J. Stewart, of Delta, York County, Pa., made an appropriate address on the Christian Endeavor Pledge and the nature of such a vow. He was present and assisted in the formation of the Society. Williard H. Hall, who was the first president, and also deeply interested read the history of the society prepared by one of the charter members. The church was prettily decorated with blooming plants and flowers and it was altogether a pleasant occasion.

BRIEF HISTORY OF THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR IN PORT PENN.

Early in the year 1891, while the Rev. George Campbell was supplying the pulpit of the Presbyterian Church an effort was made by him to organize a Christian Endeavor Society. Seven or eight persons signed the pledge, and a service of Scripture reading, prayer and song was held at half hour before the preaching service on Sabbath evening, Christian Endeavor topic cards were used, and the meetings, conducted by the elders, or some male members of the church, were continued for over four years before being merged in the Wednesday evening prayer meeting. When Rev. O. A. Gillingham had been pastor for some time, he felt confident that an organized body would accomplish more effective work, and announced a meeting to succeed the Wednesday evening meeting on March 10th 1897, for the purpose of organization. Thirteen persons were enrolled as members and from them the following officers were elected for six months service:

President, Mr. Willard H. Hall; Vice President, Miss Florence Hall; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Etta T. Dilworth; Treasurer, Mr. Thomas Higgins. The society increased rapidly, for 36 active and 18 associate members have been enrolled, making a total membership of 54, of these five have left the neighborhood, and to five others have been given letters of dismissal to other societies, thus reducing the present membership to 44. Seven of the associate members having united with the church, are now active members of the society.

The society has made several donations to different objects, amounting, in these three years to $62 47.

We feel that the church and community have been blessed, both spiritually and financially, by the existence of this Christian Endeavor Society; and while rendering heart-felt thanks to God "from whom all blessings flow," we will take courage and press foward in the good work.

High School Class Organized.

OFFICERS OF CLASS 1900.

President—Roy Voshell.
Vice President—Eugene Shallcross.
Secretary—Berth Gary.
Treasurer—Katie Truax.
Class Colors—Oliver, green and pink.
Class Flower—White Carnation.
Class Motto—"Honor lies in honest toil."

Members—Katie Truax, Bertha Gary, Mary Holten, Eva Whitlock, Roy Voshell, Eugene Shallcross.

OFFICERS OF CLASS 1901.

President—Joseph Comegys.
Vice President—Bayard Eliason.
Secretary—Boys Salmon.
Treasurer—Gertrude McCrone.
Class Colors—Gold and White.
Class Flower—Daisy.
Class Motto—"Fidelity."

Members—Sylvia A. Authurs, Edith Allee, Helen Brady, Helen Cochran, Joseph Comegys, Earle Davis, Susie Foard, Randolph Gary, Evert Holt, Louise McDowell, Gertrude McCrone, Sylvia Moore, Mary Nowland, George C. Peverly, Ethel Rowe, Edgar Rowe, Ester Shallcross, Estella Suydam, Bayard Eliason, Boys Salmon, Sewall Downs, Pierce Alrich.

WANAMAKER'S.

Philadelphia, Monday, March 26, 1900.

The Big Easter Egg

There is a great big Easter egg in the basement that'll give the children a lot of pleasure—don't let them miss it.

The shell is broken; you can see what's inside; a theatrical scene with a water-fall and rocks, and green, and all sorts of Easter animals, sober, gay, and comical; but they are really candy boxes.

Two motherly looking rabbits preside over the show, and you notice the animals are all very quiet and well-behaved.

There is a golden sky with little fairy lights in it: and everything is lovely in Eggdom.

This is just a meager suggestion of the wonderful variety of Easter novelties we have at the candy-store nearby—as big a show as the egg.

Summer Silks

About all our summer silks are in—which means that the variety is at least as good as it will be any time this year.

Take it for granted that we don't sacrifice quality for beauty; there is no temptation this year. The silks are beautiful enough without.

Printed pongee, blue and white; daisies, stars, flecks, clover, honeysuckle, 40c.
Printed Japanese silks, blue and white; dots, dashes, scrolls, leaves, flowers, 55c.
Printed Shanghai, blue and white; French printing and French patterns, 60c.
Printed foulard, blue and white; French printing, 75c.
Printed foulards—rare colorings; rich designs in white on old-rose, purple, garnet, navy, gray, brown, 85c.
Printed taffeta mousseline; white stripes of satin over leaves and vines; all in pastel tints, 85c.
Printed foulards, new blue and white; all dots from pin-heads to pennies, 85c.
Printed foulard with printed double color, black and white on old rose, beige, brown, gray, Napoleon blue, 90c.
Double twill foulards, blue and white; pin dots to size of quarter; also flower, fern, palm, stripes and twigs, $1.
Foulard and fancy Liberty satins, in all the dainty prevailing tints; new green, blues, purple, old rose, old blue, garnet, $1.
New Liberty satin with dots of silk and serpentine rivulets in white, with flecks of colored flowers; old rose, old blue, lavender, gray, tan, new green, brown, bisque, purple, navy; nearly a hundred kinds, $1.

American Silk Shirtings—These women's shirt silks are copied from the French shirtings in the same delicate colorings. The French shirtings are $2.50; the American facsimile is 60c a yard—all colorings.

White waist silks in cords and figures and dots; entirely new styles in the purest white silk that washes like linen, 50c.

The Japanese corded silks—imitations of French fancy silks that sell at $1.50 a yard—the Japanese are 45c and there are thousands.

$20 Hair Mattresses, $15

Made in our own factory, of good curled South American horse-hair.

Couldn't sell them for so little if we didn't make so many—used up half a million pounds of hair last year; or if we hadn't bought such a big lot of this grade of hair—60,000 pounds.

One or two parts; fancy striped or the old fashioned blue and white ticking. Forty pounds weight.

Black mixed hair mattresses with pair of feather pillows and bolster to match in same ticking, $10 a set—worth a third more.

Feathers—Thoroughly steamed and cold-blast-dried live geese feathers of the 90c grade, for 75c a pound.

20x30 pillows, 2½ lbs.; $1.88 each.
20x56 bolsters, 5 lbs.; $3.75 each.

A good bed is your best friend; a bad one your worst enemy.

Can't buy bad bedding here, but you can buy good, better, and best.

John Wanamaker.

$8 Silk Skirt BEST TAFFETA. ANY COLOR FOR 25c.
Send 25c. in stamps and we will mail you agent's coupon entitling you to a skirt and the particulars how to obtain it. Or send two 2-cent stamps and receive by return mail sample of silks and all information. Want good agents everywhere.
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Hardman House, Watertown, N. Y.
References: John Hardman, Builder, Hardman-Woolworth Co., Henry Ericentraut, M. D.

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One hundred big enough for double beds. Fine Marseilles patterns all hemmed and ready for use, regular $1.35 Quilt for $1 each for this lot.

Ginghams.

One of the most popular Cotton Dress Fabrics. In anticipation of a large demand for these goods we show an immense stock in all best Ginghams from the domestic at 6c. per yard up to the fine imported goods, 8, 10, 12½, 25, 40 and 60 cents per yard.

Hosiery.

Full fashioned, the best made for men, women and children. They are the Wayne Matchless Stockings at 25c. per pair, the best you ever bought for the money. They are in all black and black with white feet. Ask for our booklet of these goods.

Challies

in new arrivals make our stock again complete. New shades in plain colors with silk stripes together with other new combinations make a perfect assortment at 35, 55, 75 and 85c per yard.

Special Hosiery.

To-day we will offer 400 pairs children's heavy ribbed Stockings, slightly imperfect, worth 12½c. to 25c; per pair, for 9c. per pair, 3 pair for 25c; all fast blacks, and you would hardly find the fault if not told.

WM. B. SHARP & CO.
Wilmington, Del.

Instantly Mr. Hardy stepped up between the two men before Burns could rise.

ROBERT HARDY'S SEVEN DAYS

BY

Rev. Charles M. Sheldon

Author of
"IN HIS STEPS"

We take great pleasure in announcing that we have secured the serial rights for one of the best stories yet written by the author of "In His Steps" and that it will be published in these columns soon. The above picture illustrates one of the many stirring and dramatic incidents. It is as fascinating as "In His Steps," a book that has had more readers than any book published in many years.

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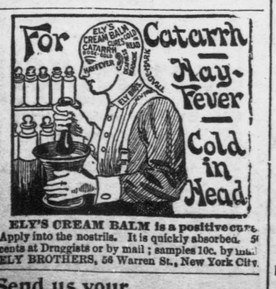

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A First-Class Investment Security at Six Per Centum Per Annum.

I offer to the Investing Public Two Hundred and Fifty Shares of the Preferred Stock of the

J. C. PARKER & SON CO.,

of which the par value is one hundred dollars each, bearing an annual dividend of six per cent. guaranteed, and cumulative. This company did a business of fifty-two thousand dollars last year, covering only a period of nine months, yielding a net profit, over all charges and expenses, of Forty-five Hundred Dollars. The business year was thus shortened in order to merge the partnership into a corporation, which recieved its charter October 13th, 1899.

By placing the above amount of stock, the corporation will be enabled to increase its business for the present year to one hundred thousand dollars.

After the Twenty-fifth of March the company will occupy its new plant, which, when complete with machinery, will cost Ten Thousand Dollars, and will afford such increased facilities as to double its present capacity for manufacturing harness and saddlery.

MARTIN B. BURRIS,
Middletown, Del.

FOR THE COMING WEEK

BIG BARGAINS IN

Parlor Suits

$100	Suits	are	now	$75.
90	"	"	"	60.
80	"	"	"	55.
70	"	"	"	50.
60	"	"	"	40.
50	"	"	"	35.
45	"	"	"	30.
40	"	"	"	25.

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Home Life Insurance Co.

Abstract from 39th Annual Report of Home Life Insurance Co. of New York. Read it Carefully.

Total amount of premiums received since organization, May 1, 1860, $20,997,889.31.
Total amount paid to policy-holders since organization, $20,954,195.27.
Admitted assets held as security for policy-holders, January 1, 1899, $10,559,150.57.
Total amount paid policy-holders, and the amount now held as security for the payment of their contracts, $31,513,346.14.
Total dividends paid policy-holders since organization, $4,849,536.51.
Surplus on basis of admitted assets valuation, 4 per cent Standard, $1,152,968.02.
Total amount saved policy-holders, from premiums paid, $6,002,534.53.

Insurance in force January 1, 1899, 24,275 Policies, $45,574,381.

THE HOME is one of the strongest life insurance companies whether considered in regard to the quality of its risks, the character of its assets or the proportion of its assets to reserve liability.

FRANK L. CATES, Middletown, Del.
General Manager of Home Life Insurance Company of New York.

The Hambletonian Bred Stallion VICTOR ROY

By Hawthorn, Jr.; He by Hawthorn; He by Thorndale; He by Abdalla 15; He by Hambletonian 10, 1st dam Sallie Taylor, by Morgan Prime, sire of the $2000 match horses of James P. Gray; 2d dam Lady Sutton, one of the handsome Kentucky bred match mares of the late Samuel Sutton by George Wilkes; He by Hambletonian 10.

VICTOR ROY

is a beautiful bay with black points, foaled in 1895, stands 16½ hands, weighs 1200 lbs., fine open gait, very stylish, free and prompt driver, and is endowed with as much speed as his illustrious size. His size, weight, color, bone, disposition and pedigree make him one of the most desirable horses to breed from.

The above Stallion will make the season of 1900 at the home and in the vicinity of the undersigned.

FEE—$12.00 to insure a Mare with Foal. Any person breeding a number of Mares $12.00 for a single colt, $22.00 for two colts and $30 for three colts.

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The Middletown Transcript

Trains Leave Middletown as Follows:

North Bound—3.20, 7.50, 9.15 and 10.24 a. m.; 4.16 and 5.58 p. m.
South Bound—12.54, 9.08 and 11.50 a. m.; 3.26, 5.18 and 7.51 p. m.

Mails Close as Follows.

Going North—7.30 a. m., 10.04 a. m., 3.55 p. m.
Going South—8.50 a. m., 5.00 p. m.
5.40 p. m., lock pouch to Wilmington and Philadelphia.
For Odessa—9.10 a. m., 11.45 a. m., 5.00 p. m.
For Warwick, Cecilton, Earlville and Sassafras—9.10 a. m.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., MARCH 31, 1900.

Local News.

BE CAREFUL of the small boy—tomorrow is April Fool's day.

Send us your orders for all kinds of job printing. We'll do it right.

REV. E. W. CASWELL now rides a chainless Columbia bicycle, and enjoys the healthful exercise.

Dr. J. M. R. White, of Wilmington, will be at the residence of Mrs. Margaret Clayton every Thursday.

J. T. MCWHORTER & SON have recieved an order from J. Edward Addicks for one of their American Separators.

For the choicest beef in town go to John Armstrong's. He has just what you want. Also a full line of groceries. Remember his new store.

THE WINDOWS of the Presbyterian Church have been covered on the outside with screens so as to prevent flying missils from breaking the glass.

NEW STORE.—The new building erected by L. C. Scott adjoining the Adams' express office has been rented by James Burrows, who has moved his stock of goods there.

I have a full line of Easter Eggs Rabbits, etc; ranging in price from one cent up. Call and see my stock before purchasing. PAUL WEBER, baker, Main street, Middletown.

OUT OF REPAIR:—The pump at the water works got out of repair last Saturday night. It was put in good working order on Monday. The above accident was the cause of the drinking water having an unpleasant taste on that day.

J. Frank Brinkerhoff, of Philadelphia, Pa., Specialist in Lenses for the Eye, will again be in Middletown at Mrs. Massey's Jewelry Store, on Tuesday, April 3rd. If you are having trouble with your eyes call and see him. No charge for examination and advice.

A LARGE APPROPRIATION.—Representative Mudd, of Maryland, has introduced a bill in Congress appropriating $10,000, for the building of the Maryland and Delaware free ship canal. In 1894 the survey recommended was almost indentical with the Delaware and Chesapeake.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.—At the recent annual meeting of the Mutual Loan Association the following officers and directors were elected: President, J. Frank McWhorter; Vice President, J. W. Jolls; Secretary and Treasure, A. G. Cox: Directors, M. B. Burris, J. C. Parker and G. D. Kelley.

SUNDAY'S SUBJECT.—The subject for the Epworth League and the Y. P. S. C. E. to-morrow evening will be "Always Ready," Luke 21: 29-36. The meetings take place at 6.30 o'clock and all are invited to attend. The former meets in the M. E. Church and the latter in the Presbyterian church.

THE FORTH DEATH.—Mention was made last week of there being three deaths in the house in Wilmington in which Mrs. Susan Walker, formerly of this town, died. Since then there has been the fourth Mrs. Susan Cooper dying there last Saturday evening. The combined ages of the four people was 304 years.

FINE WORK.—A beautiful piece of workmanship has been done by Mr. Walter Monro on the vaults of the People's Bank. He artistically reproduced the original design in colors, having first removed it entirely. With its new carpet, fresh paper and bright paint the bank is like the pleasant spring days—a great delight.

SENT TO JAIL.—Last Sunday Charles Johnson, colored, better known as "Baltimore Kid," was arrested by Constable James L. Collins for actiug in a disorderly manner at the Middletown Hotel on Saturday night. At a hearing before 'Squire Reynolds. Monday morning he was fined $5.00 and costs, and in default of payment was sent to the county jail for 40 days. This is the first arrest made by constable Collins, as he was but recently appointed to succeed Constable Hushebeck.

FOR SALE.—1000 Bushels of Northern-grown Early Rose Potatoes.
500 Bushels of Northern-grown Early Beauty of Hebron.
500 Bushels of Northern-grown Early Ohio's.
1200 Bushels of Black Cow Peas.
1000 Bushels of White Seed Oats.
2200 Bushels of Western Re-cleaned Clover Seed.
300 Bushels of Seed Sweet Potatoes.
500 Bushels of Crimson Clover Seed.
JOSEPH E. HOLLAND,
Milford, Del.

TO BREAK IT UP.—There has been a crowd of noisy boys who spent their evenings loafing at the cornor of Broad and Main streets for some time past. Their loud talking and excessive cigarette smoking has become abominable and Constable William E. Dixon has had his eye on them for some time. Last Tuesday night he saw one of the boys push another one into a passing lady and when he remonstrated with them for their misbehavior one of the crowd gave him some "lip." Well, to make a long story short, he placed this "lippy" young man under arrest and after a hearing 'Squire W. R. Reynolds imposed a fine of $1.00 and costs, amounting to $2.20. No doubt this incident will teach the rest of the crowd a much needed lesson and it is hoped that the nuisance will thereby be abated.

For bicycles and sundries go to Burrows' new store. Next door to express office.

DR. W. E. BARNARD, Surgeon Dentist, office Southeast corner of Main and Scott streets.

SEVERAL of our citizens have begun digging up their gardens preparatory to the planting of early vegetable seed.

REV. F. H. MOORE, D. D., will preach at Armstrong's to-morrow at three o'clock P. M., it being the first Sunday in the month.

NEW WHISTLE.—A steam whistle has been placed on the boiler at Parker's Harness Factory and the workmen are now called to work by its blowing.

SERVICES AT TOWNSEND.—Rev. William J. Wilkie will conduct services and preach at the residence of Mr. C. F. Hubbard, in Townsend, to-morrow at 3 30 P. M.

PLANTS FOR SALE.—A fine lot of Cold Frame Cabbage Plants, also other Vegetable Plants in season. Orders by mail receive prompt attention.
E. J. STEELE, Henderson, Md.

John Armstrong has introduced the meat business in connection with his line of groceries. He carries a line of good, tender and juicy steak that does not require a hammer and wedge to chew. Give him a trial.

IMPROVEMENTS MADE.—A handsome new white enamel bath tub has been placed in the Pennington Building during the past week by workmen from Wilmington. Several other improvements are also being made.

Take your laundry to J. H Burrows who has the agency for the two best laundries in the State. Work collected for the I X L Mondays and delivered Thursdays. Collected for the Nonpareil Wednesdays and delivered Saturdays. Store next to express office.

Mrs. A. M. McKee will have her Spring Opening of Millinery on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, April 5th, 6th and 7th. Customers and friends are invited to call and examine her new Spring Stock, containing all that pertains to a first class establishment Styles all up to date.

AT CONFERENCE.—Rev. M. H. Horsey, who has served Dale's M. E. Church most acceptable the past four years, having built and nearly paid for the new church building; is attending the Delaware Conference now in session in Philadelphia, Bishop Henry Warren, of Denver, presiding.

WHERE HE PREACHED.—Last Sunday while in Wilmington where he was attending Conference, Rev. E. W. Caswell, pastor of Bethesda M. E. Church, was assigned to preach in the morning at Grace and in the evening at Union M. E. Churches. As these are Wilmington's two leading Methodist churches the reverend gentleman was highly complimented by the assignments.

AT ST. ANNE'S CHURCH.—Last Wednesday evening Rev. Henry Ward Cunningham, rector of Calvary P. E. Church, Wilmington, preached the usual Wednesday night Lenten sermon at St. Anne's Church, this town. A good attendance listened to his excellent discourse. Next Wednesday evening Archdeacon Hall, of Wilmington, is expected to preach the sermon. As Mr. Hall is a fine speaker the public is cordially invited to be present and hear him.

UNCLAIMED LETTERS.—The following list of letters remains unclaimed in the post office for the week ending March 22nd, 1900: Ladies—Eliza Byard, Mrs. Emma Mulligan, Miss S. Townsend Parsol, Miss May Sipple, Mrs. Lydia Sipple, (postal card), Mrs. Abbie R. Vandyke. Gentlemen—Serick Black, James Draper, Richard Grannan, (postal card), R. E. Lewis, John M. Pryor, Isaac Rhodes, Harry Robinson. Foreign—Printed, Arthur B. Hubbard. Persons claiming the above will please say "advertised" and give date of this list.
JOHN W. JOLLS, P. M.

WRITE FOR ONE.—A copy of the Thirteenth Annual Session of the Peninsula Horticultural Society, held at Salisbury in January, has been received. It is a pamphlet of 136 pages, from the State Sentinel, and to the farmer or horticulturist who "mixes brains with his labor" a perusal of its contents must prove profitable. A copy may be had by addressing the secretary, Prof. Wesley Webb, Dover. Next year the Association meets in Middletown and to become familiar with the work of the society those interested in any branch of horticulture should write for this pamphlet.

BASE BALL TEAM.—Reading in the various papers throughout the State that several of the towns are to be represented on the diamond with a base ball team, has somewhat enthused the sporting blood of several of the players of former Middletown clubs. They are now beginning to talk among themselves of organizing a nine of fairly good players for this town, but at the present time things have not reached any definite shape. Just at this time finances and grounds are the main drawbacks, but the latter will probably not trouble the boys as much as the former. It is proposed, if suitable grounds can be secured, to have the same fenced in and also erect a grand stand. To do this and also to purchase uniforms for the players, bats, balls, etc., will require a little money. How the money will be raised is not known but an entertainment or a festival may be held for two or three nights if the money cannot be raised by public contributions. As a good baseball club is a credit to any town the boys ought to be greatly encouraged in the movement they propose undertaking. If organized a few outside players will be required, and matches would be arranged with clubs of equal strength with the local one. During the heated summer days our citizens could for a few cents spend many an hour watching the boys exerting themselves endeavoring to uphold the dignity of Middletown. Help them along.

Give us a chance to do your job printing. Our rates are very reasonable.

THE MAN who don't advertise gets more dust on his goods than he does in his money drawer.

FOR SALE.—I have two good road horses that I would like to dispose of.
WILLIAM R. REYNOLDS.

For choice beef call at the new stand of John Armstrong next to Parker's Harness store. His prices are reasonable, and meat tender.

REMOVAL.—J. H. Burrows having removed to the new store room adjoining the Express office, has opened up with the best line of cigars, tobacco, etc., in town.

HORSE SHIED.—While Joshua Crossland was driving his horse in the country last Wednesday, it become scared and shied along the road breaking the shafts off the carriage.

SOLD BY THE SHERIFF.—The Sheri sold on Thursday morning at the National Hotel two lots situated in Odessa, belonging to Richard I. Foard, to Joseph Beale for $2,500.

BOY WANTED.—A good boy about 15 years of age is wanted at this office to learn the printing business. Only those with a fair education need apply. This is a good chance for the right boy.

FUNERAL TO-DAY.—The remains of Mrs. Frank Vandegrift, of Chester, Pa., will be brought here this morning and interred in the Odessa cemetery. Undertaker W. J. Wilson will have charge of the funeral arrangements.

A MISTAKE.—The $5,000 which was given out as a legacy by Mrs. Cummins to Farnhurst has been decided by the register as being intended for Delaware Hospital, Wilmington, instead of the Hospital at Farnhurst. The latter place has never had a bequest.

MILLINERY OPENING.—Mrs. Fannie H. Lockwood will have her Annual Spring Opening of the latest fashions of fine millinery on Thursday and Friday, April 5th and 6th. You are all earnestly invited to call and see the display or spring hats and bonnets.

WILL MEET.—Next Tuesday is the regular meeting day of the New Castle County Farmers' Produce Association and a full attendance is requested. There will be important business brought before the association. The meeting will be held in their regular meeting rooms on South Broad street at 2 o'clock, P. M.

STOCK SOLD.—The following citizens of this town have this week taken stock in the J. C. Parker & Sons Company, advertised in THE TRANSCRIPT: Martin B. Burris, George D. Kelley, J. Frank McWhorter, P. L. McWhorter, J. H. Emerson, Elizabeth C. Parker, Mollie F. Wilson and George F. Wilson.

NEW HOSE CART.—The Volunteer Hose Company have received from the American Fire Engine Co., of Senaca Falls, N. Y., a small hose cart. It was ordered about a month ago and in case of a fire will be taken to the place of conflagation ahead of the other apparatus. It is light and can very easily be drawn by three or four men. The hose cart will carry 500 feet of hose and in case of a small blaze will save the hauling to and fro of the large hose carriage.

BALTIMORE LOAN ASSOCIATION.—The Baltimore Loan Association, has been placed in the hands of a receiver, Bird M. Robinson, Esq., of Baltimore, having been placed in charge of the company's offices. The association has been in a shaky condition for some time but it was not until the latter part of last week that the matter leaked out. As soon as found out the stockholders asked that a reciever be appointed which was done. Several of our citizens when asked to subscribe to stock of the association thought it savored too much on the "get-rich-quick" plan, and refused while there are about a dozen well-known citizens that have from $300 to $1000 in the affair. When the agent came to Middletown about three and a half years ago to organize a branch here, a meeting was held in the office of late 'Squire Ferguson. There were several citizens present and a branch organized. Several of the men that attended the meeting said they did not think much of some of the remarks made by the agent, but as the affair was backed by some of Baltimore's leading business men, several shares of the stock was taken by men who had the money to invest. The agent also offered the presidency of the local branch to one of our leading business men if he would subscribe for a few shares but he refused. This association promised that its stock would mature in about seven years while the shares of the local loan association takes from 11 to 12, this is what attracted the attention of the investors. The citizens of Smyrna lost about $8000 in the association, and it is said that a well-known clergyman near here lost $1500, the savings of several years.

DELAWARE CITY.

Edwin Reybold is quite ill at his home in "The Manse."

Two fine shad were caught on Tuesday by Herman Carrow.

An infant daughter of John Cook died on Monday of whooping cough.

Mrs. Edmonson and Viola have returned from a visit to New York City.

George Anderson, of Philadelphia, is visiting his father, Reuben Anderson.

Mrs. Reuben Anderson is lying critically ill at her home on Washington street.

Miss Beulah Marley, of Blair Hall, is spending her Spring vacation at her home on Clinton street.

Cards are out announcing the approaching marriage of Miss Alice Lincoln Clark to Charles Jefferson.

Miss Annie Cropper, of Philadelphia, was buried from the home of her sister, Mrs. James Sadler on Saturday.

Rev. H. S. Thompson was re-appointed as pastor of the M. E. Church of this place and was cordially welcomed back by his many friends.

The Misses Lide Nickle, Alida Dunlap and Mollie Aker left for Philadelphia on Wednesday to accept situations in a dress-making establishment.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

Little Lines About Men and Women and What They Are Doing.

Mrs. W. E. Barnard is visiting friends in Philadelphia.

J. B. Carpenter, of Wilmington, visited friends here on Wednesday.

Mr. Lucien Green has entered the West Chester State Normal School.

Samuel Kelley, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with his parents here.

William A. Hukill, Jr., spent Sunday with his parents in Wilmington.

Miss Margaret Gilpin, of Elkton, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Gilpin.

Mrs. Andrew E. Crow, of Wilmington, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. H. Emerson.

Purnel L. McWhorter and Frank L. Cates spent Thursday in Delaware City.

Rev. W. E. Wright has been the guest of relatives here since the close of Conference.

Alfred Moore, of Easton, Md., visited Middletown and Odessa friends yesterday.

Horatio Willits, Esq., of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with his father M. N. Willits.

Miss Edith Ginn, of near Townsend, is visiting her cousin, Miss Ethel Ginn, on Cass street.

Charles Kern and wife, of Philadelphia, visited Mr. and Mrs. William Brockson last Sunday.

Miss Lillie Scott leaves Monday for Coatesville, Pa., where she has accepted a position.

Mrs. Anna M. McKee has employed Miss Bessie Coleman, of Milton, Pa., as milliner.

Mr. and Mrs. George D. Kelley entertained Miss Alice Clark, of Delaware City, last Sunday.

William Echenhofer, of Philadelphia, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Albert Price, on Green street.

Mr. and Mrs. George Crossland, of near St. Georges, spent Sunday with Mrs. Sallie Crossland, on Main street.

Dr. Stewart N. Pool, who has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Zadoc Pool, has returned to Pittsburg, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Suydam and daughter Stella, will leave this morning for Philadelphia, where they will spend several days.

Miss Fannie Shepherd and niece Miss Josie are at Atlantic City visiting Mrs. Jesse L. Shepherd. They will return home to-day.

Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Bragdon had Rev. H. B. Martin, D. D., and wife, and Miss Bragdon, of Philadelphia, as guests during part of this week.

Mrs. George Pinder and little daughter, of Townsend, and Miss Emma Pinder, of Clayton, spent Saturday with Mrs. Pinder's parents on Lake street.

William Collins, who has been clerking at the hardware store of G. E. Hukill for some time, has resigned and will probably start in the livery business.

Coroner David H. Knotts, of Kent County, who is closing up the Hickey estate at Odessa, was a most welcome caller at THE TRANSCRIPT office on Monday.

Mr. James M. Downs, of Summit Bridge, spent Sunday and the first of the week with his uncle, Mr. E. B. Downs, at the County House, of Kent, just west of Wyoming.

Harry D. Johnson, who has been employed in Philadelphia by the Appleton Publishing Company which recently went in the hands of a receiver, will return to Middletown for a while the first part of next week.

Clarence Brockson has resigned as a salesman for William Brockson and accepted a position in Wilmington. He is succeeded by Minos Banning, who leaves the stores of J. B. Messick this evening, and Mrs. Maggie Darlington has accepted a position in the last named store.

Cards have appeared announcing the coming nuptials of Miss Susan Parker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Parker, to Dr. John C. Stites. The ceremony will take place on Thursday evening, April 12th, at 8 o'clock, and will be performed in Bethesda M. E. Church. The young couple are both well-known throughout this neighborhood and their many friends are pleased to hear of their coming marriage. After the ceremony a wedding tour will be made and on their return they will be "at home" on Friday evening, May 4, from 8 until 10 o'clock. THE TRANSCRIPT congratulates them both and wishes them a happy married life.

THE NEW CENTURY CLUB.

The lecture last Tuesday afternoon by Rev. Dr. Moore, pastor of the Presbyterian Church was thoroughly enjoyed by a large audience that was present to hear him. His lecture, which was very instructive, was illustrated by many photographic scenes of the main buildings and the different neighborhoods. By this means the lecturer was more fully able to explain the surroundings of "Russia" on which he was lecturing. He also had a lot of souvenirs with him which he gathered in the course of his travels. A silver offering was contributed by the audience which will be used towards establishing a library in this town.

The Executive Board of the Delaware State Federation was entertained at luncheon last Saturday afternoon at 1 o'clock by Mrs. W. B. Biggs at her residence on Cass street. An enjoyable time was had by all present who very much enjoyed the hospitality of the hostess.

The officers of the Executive Board are: President, Mrs. Alfred D. Warner, of Wilmington; 1st. Vice President, Mrs. W. B. Biggs, of Middletown; 2d. Vice President, Mrs. Johathan S. Willis, of Milford; 3d Vice President, Mrs. Robert G. Houston, of Georgetown; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Peter Wright, of Wilmington; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Beniah Watson, of Dover; Treasurer, Mrs. Harry A. Richardson, of Dover; Auditor Miss Mary Cannon, of Bridgeville; State Chairman of Correspondence for G. F. W. Clubs, Mrs. Horace Betts, of Wilmington; Miss Etta Gray of Bridgeville; Miss Annie Hayes, of Dover. Mrs. James H. Hall, of Milford; Mrs. Rose E. Kennedy, of Middletown; Mrs. F. F. Evans, of Smyrna; Mrs K. E. Cook, of Seaford; Miss Lizzie Stevenson, of Felton. The following officers of the local New Century Club were present: President, Mrs. Charles Derrickson; Vice President, Mrs. Fannie Lockwood; Treasurer, Mrs. Alexander M. Brown; Mrs. John P. Cochran, Jr., ex-president, was also there. At a reception given by the New Century Club from 3 to 5 o'clock at their rooms on South Broad street, ice cream and cake was served. The reception was thoroughly enjoyed by all present, Mrs. Alfred D. Warner gave a synopsis of the third annual meeting of the State Federation to be held in Milford on Thursday and Friday, May 3d and 4th. The meeting on the first evening of this session is to be addressed by Julia Ward Howe, of national fame. The Middletown New Century Club have not, as yet, appointed delegates to represent it at this meeting but it will shortly do so.

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THE POOL TOURNAMENT.

Since our last issue the following scores have been made in the pool tournament going on at the Volunteer Hose House: Friday evening—John A. Jolls, 100; W. A. Hukill, Jr., 62; Saturday evening—G. Lindsay Cochran, 75; John A. Jolls, 88. Monday evening—William H. Brady, 75; Dr. John C. Stites, 82. Tuesday evening—Frank S. Clayton, 100; Frank A. Lewis, 42. Wednesday evening—Joseph P. Jolls, 90; H. M. Black, 76. Thursday evening—W. A. Hukill, Jr., 75; Frank A. Lewis, 60.

STANDING OF THE PLAYERS.

The following is the standing of the players up to Friday night:

	Handicap.	Won.	Lost.	Per ct.
Dr. J. C. Stites.	100	6	2	75
J. A. Jolls	100	6	2	75
W. H. Brady	75	5	1	83
J. G. Taylor	90	4	3	57
J. C. Jolls	93	5	3	62
F. S. Clayton	100	5	3	62
J. E. Ginn	95	5	4	55
Norman P. Crouch	100	4	5	45
G. L. Cochran	75	4	3	57
H. S. Beasten	95	2	4	33
H. H. Hall	65	4	4	50
F. A. Lewis	75	2	7	22
H. M. Black	90	1	6	14
W. A. Hukill, Jr.	75	1	6	12

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LATE PENINSULA NEWS.

Charles Moody succeeds Edward Lynch as keeper of the Cecil county, Md., almshouse.

There is a scarcity of small houses in Wilmington, and some folks have had to store their furniture and go to boarding houses.

The deadlock in the New Castle County Levy Court over the election of a trustee of the Poor was broken Wednesday, when Patric Fahey of Wilmington was chosen to succeed Lewis Dickey.

Burglars made a raid on the town of Hartley last Wednesday night. They broke into three places without securing much booty, but were heard trying to enter the fourth one and a few bullets shot in their neighborhood made them make a hasty retreat.

Mrs. Fannie Reeley, wife of James Reeley, a well-known farmer living near Earleville, died last Saturday morning, after an illness of pneumonia. Mrs. Reeley was in the 72d year of her age. Her funeral took place Tuesday afternoon; interment being made in St. Stephen's Cemetery.

The New Castle County Trustees of the Poor on Thursday made the following nominations for the election next month; President, Theodore F. Armstrong; secretary, John W. Lawson; attorney, E. R. Cochran, Jr.; superintendent, David McCoy; Coroner's physician. James A. Draper, Jr.; Almshouse physician, Francis L. Springer.

While playing at a pit, two children of John W. Grinnage, of Glasgow, narrowly escaped drowning. Seven year-old Amelia lost her balance and fell in, and ten-year-old James jumped in from the other side and caught her by the hair with one hand and by the arm with the other. He succeeded in pulling her out. They came to the house dripping wet and almost chilled.

Lewis Harris, colored, who early Sunday morning attemped an assault upon Miss Annie McIlvaine at her home, near Belair, Md., was lynched near the jail, at 11.30 o'clock Monday night by a mob composed of unknown persons. The mob comprised about 20 men and is supposed to have come from the neighborhood of Aberdeen, the southern section of the county, where Miss McIlvaine formerly resided, and where Miss Jessie Bradford, a young girl, had been assaulted a few weeks ago by William Black, colored. The body of Harris was riddled with bullets, and considerable shooting was indulged in at the jail. While the shooting was going on at the Sheriff's house Robert L. Bull, a tailor, of Belair, and Walter B. Rowe, Jr., of Aberdeen, bystanders, were shot; Bull was hit in the back, at the left shoulder blade, and Rowe through the right hand. Their wounds were attended to by Belair physicians and are not considered serious.

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NOTICE.—I, JOHN P. MCINTYRE, tenant of the house known as the National Hotel situated at Middletown, in United School Districts Nos. 60 and 94, county of New Castle, and State of Delaware, in compliance with the requirements of the acts of the General Assembly, in such case made and provided, do hereby give notice that I shall apply in writing to the Court of the General Sessions of the Peace and Jail Delivery of the State of Delaware, in and for New Castle county, on MONDAY, the 14th day of May, A. D. 1900, being the next term of said court, for a license for said house as an inn or tavern, for the sale therein of intoxicating liquors, in less quantities than one quart, to be drunk on the premises, and the following respectable citizens of the said United School Districts recommend the said application, viz:

R. W. Cochran,	C. T. Cochran,
J. W. Leatherberry,	Paul Weber,
Cyrus Tatman,	Julian Cochran,
Geo. W. Peterson,	J. W. Gary,
J. A. Manlove,	M. Kumpel, Jr.,
Frank L. Cates,	R. H. Foster,
J. H. Manlove,	Wm. P. Cochran,
J. L. Parsons,	Alex. Maxwell,
James C. Storey,	J. Warner Brockron,
Jno. B. Bratton.	

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DeLong Hooks and Eyes, 4c. per dozen, instead 12c.
White and Black Tape, all widths, 1c. for 4 yards.
Best English Pins, 4c. a paper
American Pins, 1c. a paper.
Needles, all sizes, 1c. a paper of 25 needles.
Black Pins in boxes, small heads, 2c. a box.
P. N. Corset Steels, 8c.
Veil and Belt Pins, 3c. a dozen.
Best Steel Hair Pins, 2c. a paper.
50 yards Spool Sewing Silk, 4c.
10c. Curling Irons, 3c.
10c. Tracing Wheels, 3c.
Shoe Fasteners, 1c. a paper.
Stockenet Dress Shields, 8c. a pair.
Shell Hair Pins, 1c. each.
Lindsey Hose Supporters, 12c.
Lindsey Hose Supporters, Ladies', 17c.
Dexter's Knitting Cotton, 5c. a ball.
Infants' Wool Socks, 8c.
Ladies Fast Black Cashmere Gloves, 15c.
Children's Fine Ribbed Waists, 17c.
The Triumph Dress Stays, all colors and sizes, 8c. a dozen.
2½ yards Corset Laces, 1c.
Herring Bone Feather Stitched Braid, 5c.
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The said partnership is to be conducted under the partnership name of Charles Baird and Company and the general object of the partnership is to carry on the trade and business of manufacturing and dealing inmorocco and other leathers, and all things thereunto belonging or appertaining.

The names and residences of the said partners are as follows: The general partner of the said firm is Robert S. Baird, living in the city of Wilmington, New Castle county and State of Delaware, and the special partner is James C. McComb, of Brandywine hundred, New Castle county and State of Delaware.

That the said James C. McComb, the special partner, has contributed the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars to the common stock of the said partnership.

That the said partnership is to commence on the sixteenth day of November, A. D., one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, and is to end on the first day of December, A. D., nineteen hundred.

In Witness Whereof, We have hereunto set our hands and seals, at the City of Wilmington and State of Delaware, this sixteenth day of November, A. D., one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

ROBT. S. BAIRD [Seal.]
JAMES C McCOMB [Seal.]

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in the presence of Lewis Sasse.

STATE OF DELAWARE, } ss.
NEW CASTLE COUNTY, }

Be it Remembered, That on this sixteenth day of November, A. D., one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, personally came before me, Lewis Sasse, a Justice of the Peace for New Castle county and State of Delaware, Robert S. Baird and James C. McComb, parties to the foregoing Certificate, known to me personally to be such, and severally acknowledged that they signed and sealed the said Certificate for the purposes therein set forth, and that the same is their, and each of their, act and deed

Given under my hand and seal the day and year last aforesaid.

LEWIS SASSE, [Seal.]
Justice of the Peace.

REGISTER'S ORDER.

REGISTER'S OFFICE,
NEW CASTLE COUNTY, DEL.
February, 14th, 1900.

Upon the application of Edward M. Vaughan, Executor of Dr. Horace Vaughan, late of St. George's Hundred, in said county, deceased, It is ordered and directed by the Register that the Executor aforesaid give notice of granting of Letters Testamentary upon the estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such Letters in six of the most public places of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the estate to present the same, or abide by an act of Assembly in such case made and provided; and also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in the Middletown TRANSCRIPT a newspaper published in Middletown, Del., and to be continued therein two months.

Given under the hand and seal of office of the Register aforesaid, at Wilmington, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written

SEAL
CALVIN W. CROSSAN, Register.

NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary were in due form of law granted unto the undersigned, on the fourteenth day of February A. D. 1900, and that all persons having claims against the estate of the deceased must present the same, duly attested, to the said Executor, on or before the fourteenth day of February, 1901, or abide the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.

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THE COUNTY WORK-HOUSE.

Talk of Providing That Prisoners Condemned to Death Shall Be Executed by the Warden.

With the completion of the county work-house may come a proposition to change the mode of capital punishment in this county. The reason for this is plain. Under the work-house law the Sheriff of the county will have nothing to do with the maintenance and care of prisoners. As soon as a man is committed he will be turned over to the trustees of the work-house and taken to that institution. The jail at New Castle will be discontinued and prisoners will be wholly in charge of the work-house trustees. The law provides that the trustees shall take the power of the Sheriff in the care of prisoners and in their custody.

In case a prisoner was sentenced to be hanged he would have to be hanged at the work-house. There is no provision for this, but of course it could easiiy be made. It would make additional expense, however, for there is no provision for a wall around the work-house. It would cost considerable to erect a wall and it would also take time and trouble to construct a temporary enclosure for a hanging. On the other hand the institution will be equipped with a power plant and electrocutions could take place within the institution.

This method would be cheaper to the county than to make provision for hangings and is also considered a more humane way of disposing of condemned criminals. The matter has not been discussed among the trustees as a body, but it has been thought of by some of the individual members of the board.

There are some who feel that as the care of prisoners is to be taken out of the hands of the Sheriff and placed in charge of the trustees of the work-house the execution and infliction of corporal punishment on prisoners should be imposed upon the warden of the work-house. In other words there is a feeling that the disagreeable duties should be taken from the Sheriff along with the more agreeable ones.

In some states the wardens of penitentiaries inflict capital punishment or there is some one hired by the State to do the work. To make these changes would require amendments to the present law, but it is not thought there would be any difficulty in having the changes made.

The contracts for the erection of the work-house are now being prepared and as soon as they are signed and the bonds of the contractors filed, work on the institution will be commenced. It is not thought the weather from now on will interfere with the erection of the buildings. It is desired to have them completed as rapidly as possible so they may be used as soon as the term of Sheriff Taylor expires. After the completion of the work-house the old jail at New Castle will be abandoned. It is not known what will be done with it. There is a feeling that it ought to be sold and the proceeds turned over to the trustees of the work-house to enable them to continue with work on the building. This however, is a matter for the Levy Court to consider and dispose of as it sees fit.

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Robert Hardy, a wealthy church member, who is a Christian in name only, is rebuked by his wife for his selfish and unchristian attitude toward several employees who have been injured and falls asleep upon a sofa. In his dream he sees everything that is going on in the town about him; his minister discouraged because of the worldliness of people in the church, and particularly because of Hardy's unchristianlike conduct; his son gambling and drinking in a saloon; one of his injured employees whom he had refused to visit awaiting the amputation of both feet; and his lonely wife mourning because of his neglect. He then dreams that he is carried high above the earth into the presence of the Face of Eternity. The Face accuses him of his lack of Christianity and warns him that he has but seven more days upon earth—"seven days to help redeem your soul from everlasting shame and death." Mr. Hardy awakens greatly impressed by his terrible dream and believes that it is actually a warning. He tells his wife and children of his dream, admits that he has not lived as he should, and declares that he has but seven more days to live. The clock strikes the hour of midnight and the first of Robert Hardy's seven days begins. In these seven days Mr. Hardy does all he can to better the physical and spiritual condition of those about him and exactly at the stroke of midnight of the seventh day he— But it is unfair to give away the whole plot. The reader is kept in suspense throughout the story and does not know whether the seventh day of Robert Hardy is his last until the end.

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Rehoboth Club House.

At a meeting of the building committee of the Rehoboth Club, held last Tuesday in Baltimore, plans for the new club house to be erected at Rehoboth Beach were approved and it was decided to commence the construction of the building at once. The plans provide for an ornate two-story building of colonial design, to be erected on the beach north of the Henlopen Hotel. The site is considered a good one, as it is immediately in front of a park of pine trees. The first floor of the building will contain a reception room, dining room and a large assembly room. On the second floor, opening on a gallery, will be six bed rooms. There will be a smoking room at one end of this gallery. The building will be finished about the first of June and will cost $10,000

Mrs. Botkin Again.

Mrs. Cordelia Botkin, of San Francisco, who was convicted of killing Mrs. John P. Dunning and her sister, Mrs. J. D. Deane, both of this state, by sending them a box of poisoned candy through the mail, has been taken from jail at San Francisco, where she was sentenced to life imprisonment, to testify in a divorce case. A. G. Price brought suit against his wife, Mrs. Birdie Price, proprietress of the Victoria boarding house, at San Francisco, for divorce, and Mrs. Botkin was taken from the county jail to support Mr. Price's allegations. She gave very damaging testimony against Mrs. Price, speaking of certain things she observed while living at the Victoria. Mrs. Price was one of the women who testified against Mrs. Botkin when she was on trial for murder.

Millions Given Away.

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Amusement Managers to Combine.

There is some talk of the managers of the different opera houses throughout the Peninsula combining for the purpose of self-protection. The Peninsula has for a long time been imposed on by "snap" theatrical outfits formed in the cities for the purpose of raising a little money, that the managers think it is about time to exterminate this kind of business. Under the agreement that they will sign each manager will book his own attractions and, in case the show is bad, the manager will notify the other houses, so that they may be on their guard.

A Rather Unfortunate Place.

O. J. Franklin, of the firm of Franklin Bros., at Harrington, met with a serious accident last Tuesday by having his foot run over by a log carriage at their saw mill. This is the third accident that has occurred at this place in a couple of weeks. W. H. Franklin, his brother, had a leg broken, and James Butler was seriously injured about the head by getting caught in the main belt the first day the factory started about two weeks ago.

To go With Buffalo Bill.

Perkins D. Brown, of Smyrna, who has spent the past three years as a soldier, being with Battery C, 7th Regular Light Artillery, has signed a contract with Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show to take charge of one of his light artillery teams. Mr. Brown enlisted with the Government for three years and his time expired last week. He starts with Buffalo Bill on the fifth of April.

Red Hot From The Gun

Was the ball that hit G. B. Steadman of Newark, Mich., in the Civil War. It caused horrible Ulcers that no treatment helped for 20 years. Then Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured him. Cures Cuts, Bruises, Burns, Boils, Felons, Corns, Skin Eruptions. Best Pile cure on earth. 25 cts. a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold at Vaughan's Pharmacy.

Death of John T. Lee.

John T. Lee, a retired farmer and well-known citizen of Elkton, died at his home last Tuesday, after several weeks illness of Bright's disease. He was in the 77th year of his age, and up to a short time ago was one of the most active and most successful farmers in the section in which he lived A widow and seven children survive him.

"Better late than never." It is best, however, to be never late about taking Hood's Sarsaparilla to purify your blood. Take it now.

Dreams of the Maimed.

M. de Manaceine, the Russian psychologist, mentions the case of a person born without arms or feet who always dreamed that he had been mutilated. Now, it should be borne in mind, he says, that the majority of persons born without arms or feet always dream that they possess these extremities. It is evident, he maintains, that this difference results, in the first instance, from weak impressions hereditarily transmitted, and in the second instance from the strength and precision of these impressions. Persons whose limbs have been amputated are subject to curious delusions while asleep. They never dream that they are walking on crutches; quite the contrary, they invariably dream that they are walking with their feet, with this difference only—that as time passes their extremities appear to become shorter and shorter.

M. de Manaceine mentions as a curious fact that this hallucination is very pronounced when the wound has healed without complications; while on the other hand there is no hallucination when the process of cicatrization has been painful. Moreover, we find the reason of this difference in the greater or lesser intensity of the sensations experienced. Still, if the dreams of abnormally formed persons are characterized by certain peculiarities, they are none the less subjected, as are other dreams, to the mysterious conditions of the human organism, and, like other dreams, their repercussion on the wakeful state is identical.

TO FIRST VOTERS

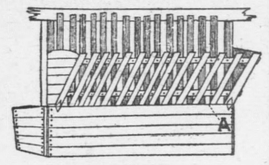
There is a constitutional provision which will become operative before the next general election is held, of which the general public may not be aware, although it has been published in connection with the Constitutional Convention. It is an educational test. It is "that no person who becomes of age or who is naturalized after January 1st, 1900, shall be permitted to vote who shall not be able to read the Constitution in English, and be capable of writing his name."

FARM AND GARDEN

FARM CONVENIENCES.

Feeding Devices That Are Handy and Prevent Waste.

Economical and sanitary methods of feeding animals, whether they be few or many, are some of the exacting points of good farming. 'Tis a homely saying that "a small leak will sink a great ship," and the small leaks of wasteful and careless feeding may in time destroy much of the profit on the average

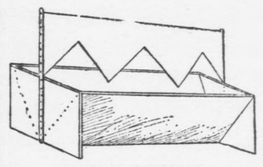


MANGER RACK.

farm. Some devices of interest to those who give attention to this matter are illustrated by the Ohio Farmer. One correspondent writes:

Since the value of corn fodder is more closely estimated by our farmers, and hay is becoming more valuable and somewhat scare and we are feeding more fodder in our barns during the winter season than in former years, various contrivances are brought into use to make the feeding of stalks more convenient. In our hay barns or barns with mangers built to economize space in the stable room, we find that the mangers are too small to feed stalks handily. In the first cut is shown a rack attachment which is much used and liked in our country. It is made of 1 by 2 lath throughout. An opening is left at A, where grain can be easily thrown into the feed box. The outer portion of the rack is hinged on the manger, which makes it very convenient to let down and empty refuse stalks on the barn floor, where they may be worked out into the manure yard. The fine refuse can be worked out through the stable for bedding. This arrangement is very convenient also to feed hay, and where small mangers must be used they soon pay for themselves in the saving of feed that is often trampled under foot by the horses.

As to the trouble of hogs getting their feet into the feeding trough, an-



SANITARY HOG TROUGH.

other correspondent sends a sketch of a device for preventing it. He says: The notched board must be high enough that the hogs cannot get their heads over it, and they will keep their feet out. We just drove a stake down at each end of the trough and nailed the trough to the stakes. Then we ran the notched board lengthwise of the trough and nailed to the stakes. This will do when you feed in one place all the time. If you want a movable trough, make the end boards longer, so that the trough will not upset, and nail a solid strip to each end, long enough to nail the notched board to it. Do not let the notches come down lower than the top of the trough. We have had clean troughs ever since we adopted this plan.

"As Wasteful as a Barnyard."

I have estimated that there is manure enough wasted in the average barnyard every year to keep from one to three acres of ground in fine fertility several years, and farmers with whom I have talked agree with me. This is not a matter of saving labor, either, but is a great waste of labor. The manure should go to the field as fast as it is made. By this system it saves at least one handling and does not waste by evaporation or heating. The work is by this method mostly done when there is no rush of other work.

When the time comes that we can muster courage to rebuild our stables, they will be put all in a single line, with a feeding floor adjacent, and the stable floor will be of cement, having a gentle slope to a water tight cart that can be backed under the floor. This is the only way to save all the manure and do it at minimum cost. The difficulty with us at present is that it is a hardship to tear down and rebuild stables that are as good as the old style calls for. It would pay to do it, though, right away. Let him who builds anew look into the case, and he will discard the old stable without hesitation. "As dirty as a barnyard." The phrase is a very old one, but it has never brought about any reforms. The barnyard is as dirty as ever. Let us make a new phrase, "As wasteful as a barnyard," and then maybe something will be done, says J. Chamberlain in Orange Judd Farmer.

Potato Planting.

Some growers assert that the depth at which the seed potato is planted has nothing to do with the distance of the sets below the surface. It has not everything to do with it—the variety and the season and the soil are factors—but I am sure depth of planting has much to do with it. Since I have been planting rather deep I find the digging much more laborious, says Alva Agee in The National Stockman. With level cultivation there is absolutely no sunburning of the potatoes. When the potatoes are planted shallow, ridging is often needed to prevent sunburning.

Thinks They Need Editing.

The blue pencil apparently did not exist in olden times. We have read ten pages of Marcus Aurelius at a stretch without understanding a word of it. Epictetus is equally hard to read. Marcus Aurelius and Epictetus are philosophers without doubt, but they have a style that gives you a headache. Both need editing. The man with the blue pencil should get after Marcus Aurelius and Epictetus. Emerson's books also clamor for the blue pencil. Carlyle is another clumsy writer greatly in need of the blue pencil of a good editor. A wise saying is not a matter of faith. Unless you can see it and understand it it is not a wise saying.—Atchison Globe.

Among the Poultry.

"Good morning. How do you do this morning?" said the duck, meeting the hen.

"None of your business," replied the hen. "You are no doctor."

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Kirkwood	8 50		f 3 09			7 33
Mt. Pleasant	8 59		f 3 17			f 7 41
Armstrong	f 9 03		f 3 21			f 7 45
Middletown	9 08	11 50	3 26		5 18	7 51
Townsend	9 17		3 34		5 28	7 59
Blackbird	f 9 22		f 3 39			f 8 04
Gr'n Spring	f 9 27		f 3 45			f 8 10
Clayton	9 33	12 07	3 51		5 42	8 16
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